



St Minver School

Head of School: Mrs J Rodwell

Monday 11th September 2023

We had a busy but brilliant start to the term last week with all the children showing bravery and enthusiasm for all the new things they are doing and seeing. This week the children will be staying in school all day (finishing school at 3.15pm) so expect them to be tired by Friday!

Phonics We started our daily phonics sessions last week and began by learning to recognise and write the letters s, a, t, p. This week we will move on to the next set of sounds: i, n, m, d. Coming home with this letter is a guide that you can use to help your child at home; how you say each sound and the little rhyme we learn to remember how to write each letter. It would be great if you could go over this with your child, please.

Our Reading Information Session for parents is tomorrow **Tuesday 12th September 2023** at 2.45pm. Please let me know if you are not able to come along.

Tapestry Hopefully you will have received an email to set up your Tapestry account. Within the next week or so we will start sharing information through the Tapestry platform. Please let me know if you have any problems verifying the account.

Outdoor Learning please send named wellies and waterproofs into school or let us know if you don't have any as we do have some spares for the children. It would be great if these could remain in school during term time so that we can use them as often as possible when the weather starts to change.

Over the coming weeks I will complete the statutory **Reception Baseline Assessment** with the children. This is an informal 1:1 assessment which provides us with a little information about the children's starting points with regards to literacy and numeracy.

If you do have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to me at drop off or pick up to arrange a suitable time for us to meet.

Kind regards,

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